

In the Claims:

Claims 1-5. Cancelled.

6. (Currently amended) A method of treating a patient to alleviate nociceptive pain in the absence of the treatment of drug dependency or drug abuse ~~withdrawal symptoms associated with drug dependency with an opioid agonist without addiction~~, comprising:

- a) administering systemically to said patient an amount of noribogaine or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt; and
- b) concomitantly administering systemically to said patient an amount of one or more opioid antagonists; wherein said respective amounts of noribogaine and said one or more opioid antagonists are effective to reduce or eliminate nociceptive pain in said patient, and wherein the noribogaine or its salt is the sole analgesic administered.

7. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein said opioid antagonist is naloxone, administered to said patient at a dose between 0.05 mg and 0.5 mg for each mg of noribogaine.

8. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein said opioid antagonist is naltrexone, administered to said patient at a dose of between 0.05 mg and 0.5 mg for each mg of noribogaine.

9. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein said noribogaine and said opioid antagonist are administered transdermally.

10-24. Cancelled.

25. (Currently amended) A method of treating a patient to alleviate nociceptive pain in the absence of the treatment of drug dependence or drug abuse ~~withdrawal symptoms associated with opiate drug dependency with an opioid agonist without addiction~~, comprising: administering systemically to said patient a pharmaceutical composition consisting essentially of an effective amount of noribogaine or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt to said patient effective to reduce or eliminate said nociceptive pain in said patient, wherein the noribogaine or its salt is the sole analgesic agent administered.

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26. Cancelled.

27. (Currently amended) The method of claim 25, wherein said noribogaine or its salt is administered to said patient at a dose of between 0.1 mg and 100 mg per kg of body weight.

28. (Currently amended) The method of claim 26, wherein said noribogaine or its salt is administered to said patient at a dose of between 0.1 mg and 100 mg per kg of body weight

29. (Previously presented) The method of claim 27, wherein said noribogaine or its salt is administered at a dose of between 1.0 mg and 30 mg per kg of body weight.

30. (Previously amended) The method of claim 28, wherein said noribogaine or its salt is administered at a dose of between 1.0 mg and 30 mg per kg of body weight.

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